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SHEPshed URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

For the year 1967.

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R. B. Jones, Cert. R.S.I.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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To the Chairman and Members of
the Urban District Council of
Shepshed.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

The much regretted death of Dr. A. Mc. M. W. Segerdal who had been your Medical Officer of Health for 32 years prevented him from preparing and presenting his annual report for the year 1967. Having been appointed your Medical Officer of Health as from May, 1968, I beg to submit the Report on his behalf.

The population again shows a slight rise and is now 8,090.

The Birth Rate again shows a slight fall from 18.6 to 17.9 but is still slightly higher than that for England and Wales (17.2) which has also fallen.

The Death Rate has fallen from 12.2 to 9.6 and is lower than that for England and Wales (11.2). The Death Rate of infants under one year at 19.6 is some three times higher than in 1966 and compares with the figures of 18.3 for England and Wales. It should be noted however that with a relatively small number of Births one additional death makes a considerable difference to the rate. Three deaths occurred during the year as against one in 1966. These were all within the first four weeks of birth and in two cases due to congenital malformations.

The chief causes of death in the community were heart disease, malignant disease and strokes, in that order, mainly in the elderly. No cases of infectious disease were notified during the year but one case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis was notified in an elderly lady who was admitted to hospital. The total number of cases on the register at the end of the year was only eleven and most of these are of long standing.

I am grateful to Mr. R. B. Jones, Public Health Inspector and Surveyor for the preparation of the sections of the Report dealing with matters falling into his perview and to you gentlemen for the cordial way in which you have welcomed me as Dr. Segerdal's successor.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

R. Courtley Holderness.
M.B. B.S. D.P.H.

Town Hall,
Loughborough,
Leicestershire.

SECTION A

General Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area (in acres).	4,321
Registrar General's Estimate Mid Year 1967 Population.	8,090
Population in 1936.	5,740
Population in 1945.	5,508
Number of Inhabited Houses (end of 1967).	2,846
Rateable Value	£261,726
Sum representing ld. rate.	1,000
Comparability factor - Births.	0.95
- Deaths.	1.13

Shepshed is situated in pleasant surroundings on the northern borders of Charnwood Forest. Its main industries are quarrying, knitwear and dyeing, boots, shoes, bricks and tiles, box making and light engineering. No industry was noticed as having an adverse effect on health.

There is a public park and playground for children. Playing fields include two football pitches and a cricket ground and pavilion. There is a covered swimming pool.

Vital Statistics.

	<u>Urban District</u>	<u>Provisional figures England and Wales</u>
Live Births	153	
Live Birth rate (Crude)	18.9	
Live Birth rate (Adjusted)	17.9	17.2
Still Births	6	
Still Birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still births)	38	14.8

Vital Statistics (Ctd.)Urban
DistrictProvisional
figures
England and
Wales

Total Births (live and still)	159	
Infant Deaths (under one year of age)	3	
Infantile mortality rate per 1,000 live births	19.6	18.3
Infantile mortality rate per 1,000 illegitimate live births	0	
As above - legitimate live births	20	
Neo-natal mortality rate (first four weeks) per 1,000 related live births	19.6	12.5
Early neo-natal mortality rate (first week) per 1,000 related live births	6.5	10.8
Perinatal mortality rate of still births combined with early neo-natal deaths per 1,000 total related births (live and still)	50	25.4
Percentage of illegitimate live births	2.6	
Maternal deaths (including abortion)	0	
Total maternal mortality rate (including abortion) per 1,000 total births	0	

<u>Births</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births : Legitimate	70	79	149
Illegitimate	4	0	4
	<u>74</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>153</u>
Still births : Legitimate	3	3	6
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>

Vital Statistics (Ctd.)

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total Live and Still births	<u>81</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>163</u>

Deaths - All Ages

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>41</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>78</u>

Death rate per 1,000 population (crude) 9.6

Death rate per 1000 population (adjusted) 11.0

Death rate England and Wales (provisional figures). 11.2

Deaths of Infants under one year of age.

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Illegitimate	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

Deaths of Infants under four weeks of age.

Legitimate	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Illegitimate	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

Deaths of Infants under one week of age.

Legitimate	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Illegitimate	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

(32) Other defined and ILL defined diseases	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	F	4	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
(33) Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(35) Suicide	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>TOTAL All Causes.</u>	M	41	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	10	15
	F	37	2	-	-	1	-	2	4	6	8
<u>TOTAL Both Sexes.</u>		78	3	-	-	1	-	3	8	16	23
											24

Chief Causes of Death :-

Heart Disease	-	24
Stroke	-	15
Malignant Disease	-	19

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1967

Causes of Death	Sex	Total all ages	4 wks.										75 & Over
			Under 4 weeks	under 1 yr.	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	
(10) Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	M F	2 1	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	1 -	- 1
(11) Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	M F	4 -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	2 -	- 1
(12) Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	M F	- 2	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	- -	1 -	- -
(13) Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
(14) Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	M F	3 5	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 2
(15) Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	M F	1 -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -
(17) Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	M F	10 5	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1	3 1	2 -	4 3
(18) Coronary Disease, Angina	M F	6 6	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	- -	2 1	3 4	- 1
(19) Hypertension with Heart Disease	M F	2 -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	1 -	- -
(20) Other Heart Disease	M F	2 8	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	- -	1 1	1 1	- 6
(21) Other Circulatory Disease	M F	- 1	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	- -	- -
(24) Bronchitis	M F	4 -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	2 -	1 -
(26) Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	M F	1 1	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1	- -
(28) Nephritis and Nephrosis	M F	- 1	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- 1
(31) Congenital Malformations	M F	1 1	1 -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS.

The Infant Welfare Centre is held at St. Winefride's Parish Hall every second and fourth Wednesday afternoon under the County Council.

The Tuberculosis Clinic is held at Loughborough General Hospital and is under the Hospital Board.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

The Ambulance Service throughout Leicestershire is provided by the County Council from eight ambulance stations. The whole fleet is equipped with two-way radio communication and all Ambulance movements are controlled from the ambulance headquarters in Leicester.

The Ambulance Service for the area of Shepshed Urban District is provided from the Loughborough Ambulance Station, where four ambulances and three dual purpose vehicles are based.

A twenty four hour service is provided.

Colliery accidents are removed by ambulances provided by the National Coal Board stationed at Nailstone Colliery and Moira.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

All District Nursing and Midwifery in the home is carried out under the County Council.

HEALTH VISITING.

The work is very efficiently carried out under the County Council. A Diabetic Health Visitor attends the Diabetic Clinic at Leicester Royal Infirmary, and visits the patients in their homes on request.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

This work is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Isolation Hospital, Groby Road, Leicester.

Generally there is co-operation between the Local Authority and services provided by Executive Council, and the Hospital Board, and the tendency is towards closer integration.

MEALS ON WHEELS.

This service supplies fifteen people with meals twice weekly.

SECTION C

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Filtered water is supplied by the North West Leicestershire Water Board and is satisfactory in quality and quantity, and is not liable to plumbosolvent action.

Particulars of water supply to dwelling houses in district :

Internal mains water supply -

No. of dwelling houses	.. .. .	2838
Population	.. .. .	8069

Mains water from external standpipes -

No. of dwelling houses	.. .. .	4
Population	.. .. .	9

Well water supply -

No. of dwelling houses	.. .. .	4
Population	.. .. .	12

The whole of the Urban Area is supplied from mains.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Number of cesspools constructed during the year	..	0
Number of cesspools abolished during the year	..	0
Total number of cesspools in district on 31st December, 1967.	.. .. .	30
Number of private sewage treatment plants constructed during the year	.. .. .	2

Work was commenced on the sewage works extensions in mid 1967, with a finishing date of March, 1969.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

(a) Privies	.. ..	0
(b) Pail Closets	.. ..	6
(c) Water Closets	.. ..	3,598

Converted to water carriage system during the year :

(a) Privies	.. ..	0
(b) Pails	.. ..	1

Pail closets are emptied once a week by direct labour and taken to agricultural land.

A weekly collection of refuse was maintained throughout the year. A Dennis Paxit III with driver and six loaders were employed full time. Two loaders employed half-day to collect Pail Closets from outlying cottages.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Total number of complaints received	.. ..	61
Total number of premises at which defects or nuisances were dealt with	.. ..	252

INSPECTIONS MADE

	<u>Number of Inspections</u>
Animal keeping.	2
Bakehouses.	6
Dairies.	4
Drainage Works.	180
Dwelling houses (all purposes).	735
Food Premises.	164
Infectious diseases inquiries.	-
Food poisoning inquiries.	-
Refuse collection and disposal.	200
Rodent Control, (excluding rodent operator's visits).	30
Schools.	3
Shops and offices.	39
Slaughterhouses and meat inspections.	166
Smoke observation.	2
Tents, vans, sheds etc.	-
Verminous and dirty premises.	2
Water supplies.	-
Workshops, outworkers etc.	10
Other inspections.	<u>280</u>
	1823
	<u><u> </u></u>

NOTICES

<u>Preliminary</u>	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Public Health</u>
Outstanding at 1st January, 1967.	0	-
Issued during the year.	24	11
Complied with during year.	23	11
Statutory action necessary.	3	1
Complied with during year.	2	1
Outstanding 31st December, 1967.	1	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

Class of premises	Number registered	Number of inspections	Accidents reported	Contraventions		
				Found	Remedied	out-standing 31.12.67.
Offices	11	14	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	27	43	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering estabs. open to the public, canteens.	1	3	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage depots.	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	39	60	-	-	-	-

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

Number of site licences issued :

(a) Individual vans	..	..	..	..	2
(b) More than two vans	..	..	..	..	Nil

VERMINOUS PREMISES

Particulars of action taken :

No. of Council houses infested	..	..	..	..	Nil
No. of dwelling houses infested	..	..	..	..	Nil
No. of houses disinfected	..	..	..	..	Nil

RAGFLOCK AND FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951.

No. of premises registered for upholstering, etc. 1

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

One part-time operator employed. 71 infestations were dealt with and 255 inspections made.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Number in area :

Publicly owned Paddling Pool	..	..	..	..	Nil (Closed)
Privately owned (Hind Leys School) Swimming Pool					1
Number of inspections	..	..	..	..	8
Supplied by mains supply and regularly dosed when in use.					

CLEAN AIR ACT 1960

No action taken.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT 1960

No action taken.

SECTION D

HOUSING

During the year 94 new houses were completed. All by private enterprise. 51 houses in the course of erection by the Housing Association and 76 by private enterprise.

Total number of post war houses completed by :

Local Authority	..	..	..	..	..	551
Private enterprise	..	..	..	..	..	775
Total number of applicants for Council Houses at end of year	..	..	..	..	..	103
Number of applications received during year	..	..	..	..	..	17
Total number of occupied houses in district	..	..	..	..	..	2846
Total number of Council Houses occupied in district	..	..	..	..	..	760

Four unfit houses were demolished, five houses were closed, displacing three families and two persons. Twelve unfit houses were made fit.

Further housing development is being delayed owing to objection of the Trent River Board to further planning permissions until effluent of sewage works is up to the prescribed standard.

SECTION E

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

ICE CREAM

Number of Premises registered (Retail only)	..	..	..	..	28
Number of Samples taken	..	..	..	..	Nil
Results: Grade I	..	..	..	..	Nil
Grade II	..	..	..	..	Nil

There are no complaints on the cleanliness of any of the premises

MILK SUPPLY

Dairies (other than dairy farms) and Distribution (Section 8 Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949).

<u>No. on Register</u>		<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Contraventions</u>	
			<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>
Dairies	4	18	Nil	Nil
Distributors	0	0	Nil	Nil

BACTERIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLING

No action taken by this Authority.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Number of slaughterhouses in area	..	..	..	..	1
Number of animals slaughtered therein	..	..	..	..	1015
Number of animals examined therein	..	..	..	..	1015
Number of inspections of meat at time of slaughter	..	..	..	..	1015
Number of knackers yards in area	..	..	..	..	0

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed.	212	-	803	-
Number inspected.	212	-	803	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis.</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	29	-	36	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	13.6%	-	4.4%	-

Tuberculosis - Nil

Number of inspections of meat shops, meat stores, etc. 74

Number of inspections of places where food (other than
meat is kept or prepared for sale.) 86

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1960.

Number of premises inspected	.. .. .	27
Number of inspections made for that purpose	.. .. .	51
Number of informal notices served	.. .. .	1
Number of informal notices complied with	.. .. .	1
Number of informal notices outstanding at 31st December, 1967		0
Number of formal notices served	.. .. .	0
Number of formal notices complied with	.. .. .	0
Number of formal notices outstanding at 31st December, 1967		0

Action so far has been informal. There are no markets in the district. Implementation of the regulations has proceeded in a very satisfactory manner.

SECTION F

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER

Infectious Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during 1967.

No cases were notified during the year.

Analysis under Age Groups.

Age Group	Whooping Cough	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Food Poisoning	Acute Polio Non Paralytic
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-
1-2	-	-	-	-	-
2-3	-	-	-	-	-
3-4	-	-	-	-	-
4-5	-	-	-	-	-
5-9	-	-	-	-	-
10-14	-	-	-	-	-
15-24	-	-	-	-	-
25 and over	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS

During the year only one case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, a female, was added to the Register. There were eleven cases, nine pulmonary and two non pulmonary on the register at the end of the year.

There is free co-operation between the local authority and the Chest Physician, and every assistance is given in the ascertainment of contacts, rehousing and employment.

A special clinic for contacts has been working very satisfactorily and general practitioners have availed themselves fully of X-Ray facilities.

ANNEX TO ANNUAL REPORT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

<u>Premises</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	<u>Occupiers Prosecuted</u>
Factories in which Sections 1,2,3&5 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	0	0	0	0
Factories not included in (1) in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authorities.	39	22	0	0
	<u>39</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Cases in which defects were found - NIL

PART VII OF THE ACT

Outworkers (Sections 110 & 111).

<u>Nature of Work</u>	<u>No. of Outworkers in August list Required by Sec. 110</u>	<u>No. of Cases of defaults in sending lists to the Council</u>	<u>No of Pros. for failure to supply lists</u>
Wearing Apparel Making etc.	96	0	0

